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WIDE POWERS GIVEN PRESIDENT IN NEW CHINA CONSTITUTION



If France ever has a Mussolini, everything points to Colonel de la Rocque as being the leading candidate for the position. The Colonel, head of the "Croix de Feu" association of war veterans decorated for courage under fire, controls an army of 100,000 followers.

O.G.P.U. POWER LESSENED BY NEW DECREE

SUPREME COURT TRIALS.

SOVIET REVISION

Moscow, To-day. A decree has been issued laying down the composition of the new Soviet Commissariat of Home Affairs, which is taking over the extraordinary judicial functions of the O.G.P.U. (secret police) and which is charged with safeguarding the revolutionary order and the security of the State, with guarding public property and the frontier, and with the registration of the civil acts of the State.

The Judicial Collegium of the O.G.P.U., which was hitherto empowered to sentence an accused man to be shot without an open trial, is now dissolved and crimes affecting the security of the State will be tried by the Supreme Court.

M. Genrich Yagoda, a rising young official, has been appointed the first People's Commissar of Home Affairs.

The decree does not imply that the O.G.P.U. has been disbanded, but that the Soviet feels its power is established and that milder means of protecting the State are possible. — Reuter.

DEVELOPMENT IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Special Expenditure Of £1,300,000.

HELP FOR FISHERMEN

London, To-day.

Answering a Parliamentary question regarding the economic situation in Newfoundland, the Dominion Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, said that the Commission of the Government had already made considerable progress with development schemes in Newfoundland and Labrador, and authority had recently been given for a special development expenditure of £1,300,000 to be financed by long-term loans from the Colonial Development Fund.

This expenditure would be devoted to the building of fishing vessels for purchase by fishermen on the instalment plan, to road construction, with a view to facilitating agricultural settlement, and to the development of the harbour at Port au Basques and a railway terminus on the West Coast. — British Wireless Service.

The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.B.E., C.M.G., will formally open the Wan Chai Children's Playground at 5.30 p.m. this evening.

INERT AND PASSIVE

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE TO FRANCE
NO NEW PLEDGES GIVEN.

NEW LOCARNO PACT REACTION

London, To-day. The communiqué issued last night on the Anglo-French talks, which opened in London on Monday and continued yesterday, was as achromatic as usual, and an approach to British official quarters did not reveal more.

Though the French Foreign Minister, M. Louis Barthou, declared himself quite happy over his reception in London, it seems that the British attitude to the French aspirations can be summed up in the neat phrase of "Le Journal," "inert and passive benevolence."

Great Britain has given no new pledges, but she clearly stressed her desire for strict fulfilment of the existing ones. France asked Britain to make public her appreciation of the French efforts in the cause of European peace, with particular reference to the eastern Locarno Pact, namely, M. Maxim Litvinoff's idea of a Franco-Russian Pact of mutual assistance. The Pact is open to Germany, but she is shy of adhering to it.

GERMAN ATTITUDE

The French hold the opinion that Britain shows even a platonic feeling towards it, and if Germany still declines, Germany's isolation will be all the more marked. The British attitude is to go ahead. She is not queering others' pitches as long as the Eastern Locarno Pact does not impinge the Western Pact by extending the responsibilities of the signatories to the latter. — Reuter.

ANGER OF GODS

CHINESE SEEK TO WOO WEATHER.

SHANGHAI MAYOR PETITIONED

Shanghai, To-day.

Petitions were made to the Mayor of Shanghai, Mr. Wu Teh-chen and to the provincial authorities, by a group of prominent Chinese yesterday to forbid the slaughter of domestic cattle for one week to appease the rain gods as the result of the prolonged heat wave.

After a short spell of temperature under 100 degrees, the mercury yesterday climbed to 101.8.

Farmers in Kiangsu and Chekiang are constantly praying for rain to save the crops. — Reuter.

RUSSIAN ELECTROCUTED IN SHANGHAI

Repairing Overhead Power Cable

Shanghai, To-day. Peter Sapojnikoff, a 40-year-old Russian mechanic employed by the Shanghai Power Co., was electrocuted yesterday morning while repairing an overhead power cable. He accidentally came into contact with a live wire at the top of the pole and was hurtled to the ground. — Reuter.

'FRISCO STRIKE

TRUCKS OPERATE AT 4 PIERS

DISPUTE HEARING CONTINUED.

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NO BOARD CLASH

Washington, To-day.

The Chairman, Mr. Garrison, states that the new National Labour Board will not interfere with President Roosevelt's longshoremen and steel mediation boards. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

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£511,400 GRANT FOR EDUCATION.

£50,000 To Foundling Hospital Fund.

London, To-day.

A programme of educational development, involving the total capital expenditure of £511,400, was approved by the London County Council yesterday afternoon.

The Council also made a grant of £50,000 to the Foundling Hospital appeal fund, thereby securing the purchase of the last portion of the site which will remain an open space in perpetuity in the heart of London. — British Wireless Service.

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(From Our Own Correspondent)

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Mr. Woo Kai-yin, representative of the Kwangtung Provincial Government in the negotiations, stated in an interview that the main discussion would deal with

Escalator Scheme

Practicability Discussed

800 SIGN PETITION.

Views on the practicability of an escalator for the convenience of passengers on the Peak Tram passengers on the Peak Tram are expressed on Page 7 in furtherance of the *China Mail's* 90th Anniversary campaign to secure the extension of the tramway to Queen's Road.

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In connection with the gigantic title deeds fraud, the 12 persons arrested at the premises of the Tien Po Real Estate Company at Tai Hong Road, are scheduled to be tried again to-day by Mr. Ou Fang-po, Provincial Commissioner of Finance.

In the trial to-day, Mr. Ou will be assisted by two other officials of his Department. The prisoners are held at the Municipal Bureau of Public Safety.

Millions of dollars are involved in the fraud, as several owners of houses have been robbed of their property by the production of forged titled deeds produced by rival claimants.

Most of the victims are overseas Chinese who cannot attend to their property here except through agents. In some cases, the claimants had their deeds registered by the Municipal Bureau of Lands.

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Generally fair, with local showers and moderate south-east winds, was the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.



Overcome by fatigue and heat, Alice Marble, of California, is shown as she was carried from the tennis court at the Roland Garros Stadium, Paris, after she collapsed during play in the French Women's Championships. Miss Marble, who is the U.S. Wightman Cup player, was taken to the American Hospital, where she spent several days resting.

ROTTERDAM RIOTING

AGED WOMAN ONLY ONE HURT IN OUTBREAK

Attempted Coup D'Etat Ringleader Remains in Prison

Kovno, To-day.

The President of Lithuania, M. Antanas Sventana, has granted an amnesty to 68 young officers who participated in one attempt to bring off a coup d'état here on June 7. The former Premier, M. Valdemaras, the ringleader, however, remains in prison. — Reuter.

N.R.A. HEAD WOULD LIKE TO GET AWAY

CONTROL BOARD SUGGESTED.

WILL SOON BE MORE THAN A ONE-MAN JOB

Washington, To-day.

The National Recovery Administrator, General Hugh Johnson, has recommended President Roosevelt to appoint a commission to direct the N.R.A. and to allow him to retire.

General Johnson stated: "I recommend to the President that this will not be a one-man job when it passes into the field of administration. I suggest a board or a commission."

Asked whether he would continue in office until Congress next meets, General Johnson answered that it was probable that he would, although he would like to get away.

"I will, however, stay as long as the President thinks he needs me," he added. — Reuter.

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BANK DIVIDEND

It is announced by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that an Interim Dividend of 23 per share, subject to Income Tax deduction, has been declared for the half-year ended June 30, at the rate of 1/6 1/2 per dollar. The dividend will be payable on and after Monday, August 13, at the Corporation offices.

To-day is the 85th anniversary of the inauguration of the Victoria Recreation Club. An informal celebration will be held at 8.30 p.m. this evening.

COTTON GINNING DEBACLE.

U.S. INDUSTRY REFUSES AGREEMENT.

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Washington, To-day.

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration has abandoned its attempts to bring the United States cotton ginning industry under the marketing agreement due to the fact that the ginner refused to accept any agreement without provisions authorizing fixed rates for ginning services. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

COMPLETE SWING

FULL COMMAND OF COUNTRY'S ARMED FORCES
OFFICIAL CONTROL ALLOWED.

FOREIGN CAPITAL CURB

Nanking, To-day. Vital changes are embodied in the revised draft constitution, notably the introduction of the Presidential system of Government.

Swinging from one extreme to the other, the drafting committee gives the President very wide powers, including the supreme command of the country's armed forces, authority to declare war and negotiate peace, to appoint and dismiss the civil and military officials, and to proclaim and suspend martial law.

Persons engaged in active military service are ineligible for the Presidency, Vice-Presidency, and other administrative posts, including provincial Governorships.

Provincial, district and municipal Governments are not allowed without authority to borrow from foreign sources or to use foreign capital. — Reuter.

COURT MARTIAL AT TENERIFFE

Revolutionary Strike Sequel.

Teneriffe, To-day. A revolutionary strike in a village in one of the Canary Islands last year had its sequel yesterday when five men were court-martialled and sentenced to death.

During the strike, two Civil Guards were killed.

MAIL SCHEDULES

INWARD MAIIS.

FROM EUROPE July

Carthage (via Suez) " 11
Dah Loh (Air Mail ex Mar-
seilles Saigon Service) " 12

FROM JAPAN July

Rajputana " 13
Bokiyo Maru " 13
Durbar Maru " 13
Rajputana " 13
Morioka Maru " 14
Pres. van Buren " 20

FROM AMERICA & CANADA July

Empress of Japan " 20
Pres. van Buren " 20

FROM MANILA July

Empress of Russia " 11
General Sherman " 13
Pres. Coolidge " 13
Kitano Maru " 19

FROM SHANGHAI July

Kiddipore " 12
Rajputana " 13
Gango " 16
Felix Rousset " 17
Deucalion " 18
Pres. van Buren " 20

FROM STRAITS July

Burwan " 12
Lyons Maru " 13
Trollus " 13
Helonus " 18
Kumsang " 18
Genoa Maru " 19
Antenor " 20

FROM AUSTRALIA July

Kitano Maru " 19

OUTWARD MAIIS.

FOR EUROPE July

Emp. of Russia (via Van-
couver) " 13
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Pres. Coolidge (via Siberia) " 13
Closes: Reg. 3 p.m. Ord. 4.15 p.m.
Rajputana (Air Mail Service) " 14
Closes: Reg. 6 p.m. Ord. 9 a.m.

FOR JAPAN July

Carthage " 12
Empress of Russia " 13
General Sherman " 13
Pres. Coolidge " 13

FOR MANILA July

General Sherman " 13
Empress of Russia " 13
Pres. Coolidge " 13

FOR SHANGHAI July

Carthage " 12
Empress of Russia " 13
General Sherman " 13
Pres. Coolidge " 14
Rajputana " 14

FOR STRAITS & INDIA July

Perseus " 11
General Sherman " 13
Pres. Coolidge " 13
Gango " 14

FOR AUSTRALIA July

Rajputana " 14

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The Woman's Page

Material For
Accessories

Suits And Hats

Many New Innovations
Seen This Season

SMARTER HATS WORN

The suit always takes an important place and this season is no exception to the rule. Jackets just cover the hips, or there are long coats, slightly shaped, which are worn with dresses—a relief to those who have realized that this is, on the whole, the most economical way of dress, one coat serving for a number of dresses.

Light colours are frequently seen either in ordinary wools or in jerseys, of which there can hardly be too many. There are a number of bright colourings, as well as others of black and grey, worn with the smart black-and-white plaid or checked blouses. The long coats may be trimmed with the material of the dress, and, with all the printed stuff available, this makes an attractive summer two-piece.

Plate Hats Preferred

Hats here are more of the plate variety than of the halo. Many are made entirely of flowers closely packed together with a bandeau for all support. Here and there the bowler shape is seen with rather dashing rolled-up brims, sometimes at the sides with flowers in front.

Some are lent a shovel shape by this means and have a rather skittishly ecclesiastical appearance. There are also hats of this shape made in checked and plaid ribbon, which look smart with a tailored suit and perhaps with a plain gold earring set straight into the lobe of the ear.

TO PRESS SLEEVE

London.

Sleeve seams in thick material can be pressed by placing a rolling pin inside the sleeve and ironing on to this. Pressure is then possible on the actual seam without leaving a mark on the opposite side of the sleeve.

SILK STRING FOR VEST NECKS

London.

The silk running string in the neck of vests and such garments seldom keeps tied. Take it out and crochet instead a string of special mercerised cotton, which you will find, never comes untied.

Exercise For A
Fine FigureUMBRELLAS USED.
FOR SUN BATHING

Transparent umbrellas, it seems, are not just for beach use. You can get your violet ray treatment while taking a stroll in the park or while walking to town to do your marketing or make to your dressmaker. Transparent umbrellas now

come in all colours and especially treated ones are said to give you a healthy sunburn without blistering, and morning and she will find this a good substitute, too.

Paris.

The figure is extremely important nowadays, and one rule in this connection is to get plenty of exercise, the more out of doors the better, especially active sports. The woman who is unable to go in for sport must make do with physical drill in her own room night and morning and she will find this a good substitute, too.

Keeping Clothes In
Shape

London.

To keep a skirt in good shape, get coat-hanger, bore a hole at each end, insert a cord through the clothespins.

All you have to do is to clip the holes, fasten and tie on two clip top of your skirt with these pegs, and your skirt will hang perfectly straight. The hanger itself will take your jumper or coat.



Straw Gauntlet Cuffs

Straw gauntlet cuffs on silk gloves are destined to match your hat and purse for mid-summer. To this grouping of accessories you may also add a belt and a pair of shoes or buttons on a sport suit of linen or printed silk. Bamboo is another important material for buttons and trimming.

PIPING CORDS FOR LOOSE
COVERS

London.

Before using piping cord for loose covers boil the cord, this prevents shrinkage when cretonne covers are washed and avoids a home-spun look.

BEAUTY TREATMENT FOR EYES

London.

Your eyes must have their daily bath of warm boracic acid lotion, and you must take care that they are never strained. Never read, write or do needlework in a dull light.

THE FLOWER STALK
SILHOUETTE.Floral Effects In Paris
Fashions.

Floral effects are scoring triumphs in the realm of Paris fashion. The silhouette itself recalls the stem of a flower, wraps are made of petals or blooms, and the wearing of posies and sprays is encouraged by the designers.

In the summer Molyneux collection, for instance, a cluster of large scarlet poppies appears on the high front corsage, of a grass-green crepe evening gown. The model is very slim in appearance, with three more or less flat semi-circular frills round the hemline. This, together with one in white crepe, equally slim of line, but without frills at ground length, suggests a flower-stalk silhouette beneath an elbow-length capelet entirely made of huge scarlet poppies with black

stems.

A touch of red glints at the hem-line in the Japanese manner when the wearer walks.

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RODENT	DAIRY	ROMANCED
LINTAN	DAIRY	TIN REFER
KIND	DRUM	STARIC
OF HAMMER	DRUM	USER
BONES	DRUM	DOSES
RESIDENCE	DRUM	SPAIN
ABBR.	DRUM	MERES
VEHICLE	DRUM	LEADS
ENLARGED	DRUM	EST.
HOLE	DRUM	PROHIBIT
FATHER	DRUM	LIPES
MILITARY	DRUM	ENTO
ASCENDED	DRUM	PURER
WRITING	DRUM	SCRAGS
IMPLEMENT	DRUM	ALTERED
40-LITTLE	DRUM	PEARS
ISLAND	DRUM	SPEEDSTER
INLAND	DRUM	ARTS
WATERS	DRUM	SPEAR
	DRUM	GRILLE
	DRUM	ROSES
	DRUM	AROIS
	DRUM	NOES

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 1-Sensation
- 6-Chooses
- 11-Girl's name
- 12-Dine
- 13-Crimson
- 14-Trappers
- 17-Australian
- 18-Dairy
- 19-rodent (pl.)
- 21-Lintan
- 22-Kind of hammer
- 23-Bones
- 24-Residence (abbr.)
- 25-Vehicle
- 31-Enlarged a hole
- 33-Father
- 34-Military person
- 35-Ascended
- 36-Writing implement
- 40-Little island in inland waters'
- 41-Insect
- 43-Series
- 44-Fine rock particles
- 45-Mixture of flour and water

- 48-Paradise
- 50-Greek goddess of discord
- 52-Knock
- 55-Penetrated
- 56-A beverage
- 58-Prefix. Thrice
- 59-A dance
- 60-Vessel
- 61-Rubbers
- 62-Troubles
- 63-Energy
- 65-Affirms
- 66-Lateral part
- 68-Snares
- 69-A gift
- 71-Mockery
- 72-Eternal (Archaic)
- 74-Writing implement
- 75-Before
- 76-Judge
- 77-Notion
- 78-Skill
- 79-A pastry
- 80-Etruscan god

- 16-Beam
- 18-Neat
- 20-Box
- 22-Native of Arabia
- 24-A sewing implement (pl.)
- 26-Bulids
- 28-To harass
- 30-Troubles
- 32-A title (sp.)
- 33-End
- 35-Affirms
- 36-Lateral part
- 38-Snares
- 39-A gift
- 41-Mockery
- 42-Eternal (Archaic)
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The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

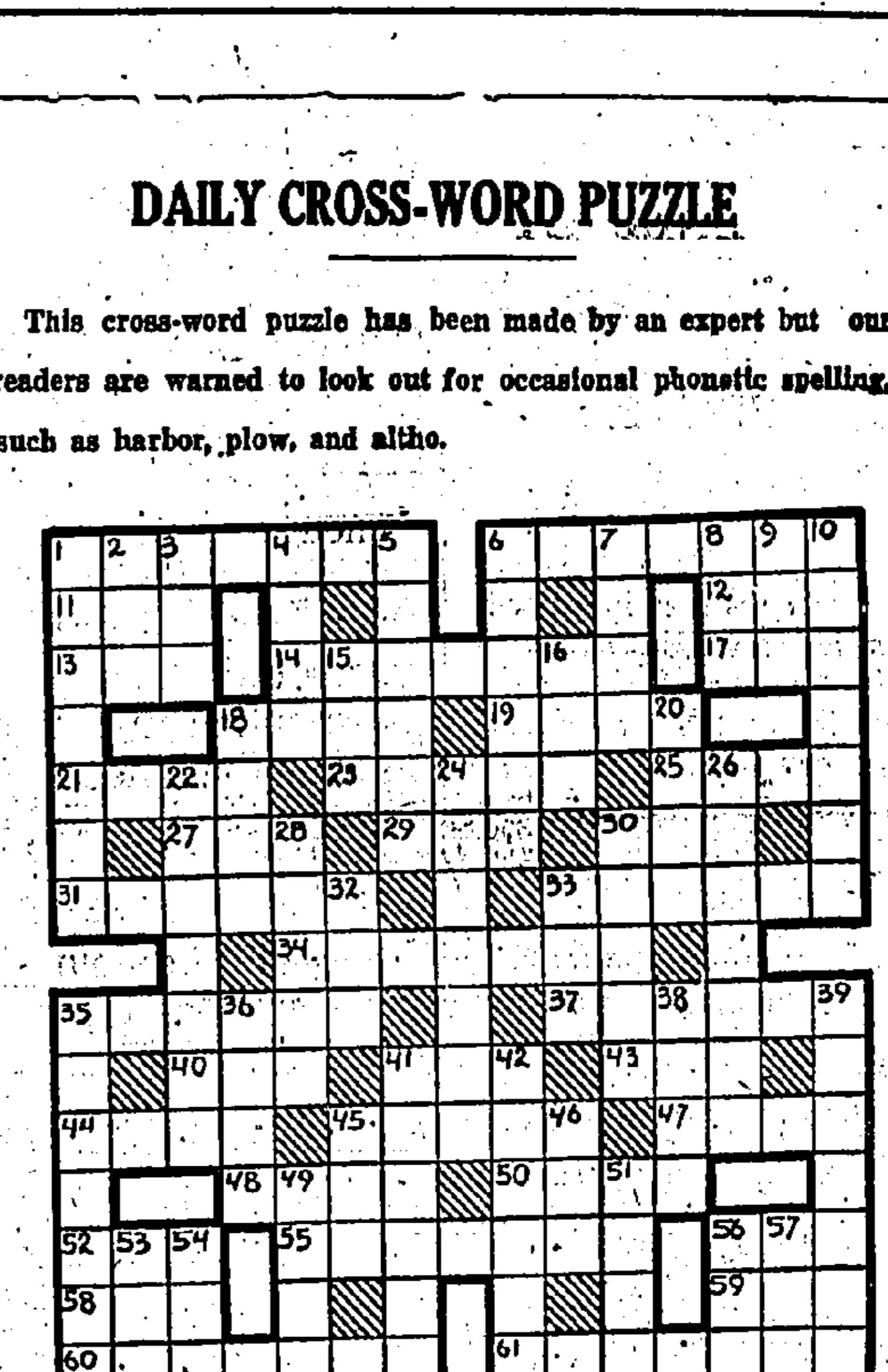
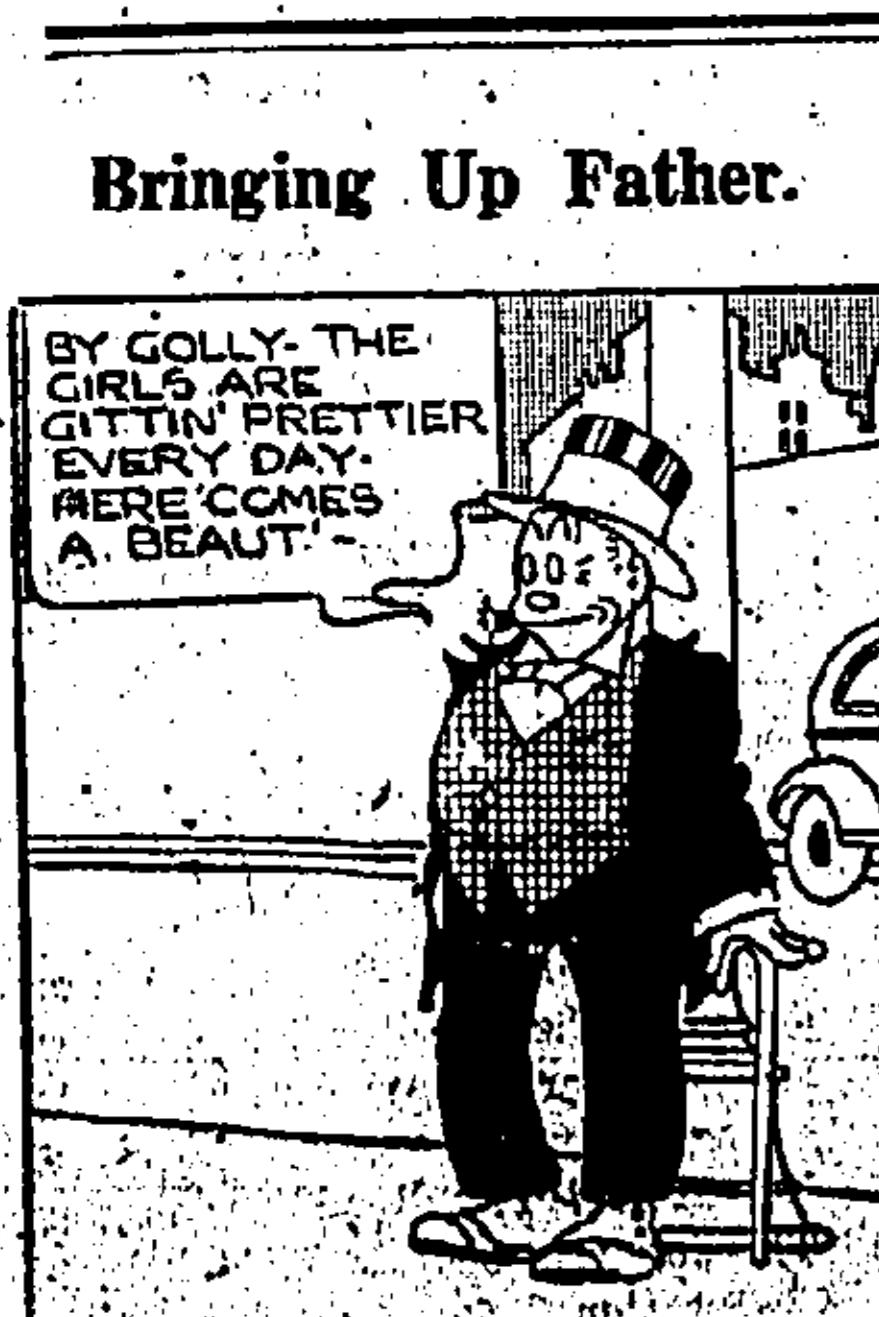
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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY:
THERAPION NO. 1
THERAPION NO. 2
THERAPION NO. 3**BRIDGE NOTES.****The Importance Of Bidding**

by Ely Culbertson.

Amusements**Cinema Notes****"LAUGHING BOY"—QUEEN'S THEATRE**

Photographed with the beautiful scenery of Arizona for its background, "Laughing Boy", Oliver La Farge's Pulitzer prize-winning novel, is one of the most powerful stories yet adapted to the screen.

Featuring in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's new starring vehicle is Ramon Novarro in the leading role of the "Laughing Boy", while Lupe Velez plays the part of the Indian girl, who has been educated in the white man's country and whose heart yet yearns for wild love among her own people.

The plot of "Laughing Boy" centres round the life of a young Navajo Indian, unused to the white man's way of love, whose aloofness to the alluring charm of Miss Velez is maintained throughout by Novarro.

Others in the cast are: William McKinnon, Chief Thunderbird, Catalina Ramona, Tall Man's Boy, F. A. Armenta, Deer Spring and Pellicana.

"THREE ON A HONEYMOON"—KING'S THEATRE

"Three on a Honeymoon", featuring Zasu Pitts, Sally Eilers and Charles Starrett, Fox Film's current release is now showing at the King's Theatre.

In addition to Zasu Pitts' fine acting, who this time has to crash into a honeymoon couple to find romance, Royer, Fox's fashion expert, provides a fashion review through Miss Eilers who is gloriously attired in every scene.

The film, taken from the novel "Promenade Deck", by Ishbel Ross, has other well-known stars in the cast, including Henrietta Crosman, Irene Hervey and John Mack Brown.

"SON OF A SAILOR"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

"Son of a Sailor", featuring Joe E. Brown, one of Hollywood's best comedians, is First National's current release now showing at the Alhambra Theatre.

The film is a riotous comedy in which Brown has the role of an expert play—that they offer the greatest defense compatible with safety, and as a matter of deliberate policy take into account the possibility of occasional loss.

Since these requirements are so deliberately adjusted—to be fitted for practical tests, the reader is urged to adhere to them—but not with over imagination. Unfortunately many players, upon their own initiative, introduce radical variations in these requirements, not realising that an arbitrary change particularly upward, will surely lead to serious loss.

The theory of Opening bids of one offers exceptional difficulties cause the very occasional losses due to light, though sound. Opening bids are glaring on the score pad, while the considerable gains accruing from the tactics of aggressive defence are generally invisible. One cannot become a winning player unless one has learned defensive bidding, and of all defensive bids an Opening one is the best.

Opening trump bids of one show:

Minimum honour strength in the hand: At least $\frac{1}{2}$ honour-tricks distributed in two suits.

Minimum length in the suit: Four cards.

Minimum honour strength in the suit:

1. If the Opening bid of one is made on a four-card suit it must ordinarily be headed by $\frac{1}{2}$ honour-tricks, as A Q 3 2, A J 10 or K Q J 2. In order to limit further the inherent disadvantage of the Opening notrump, the following suits should be regarded as playable: A J 9 2, K Q 8 2 or Q J 10 2 in either majors or minors and in addition K J 8 2 in minor suits.

These shaded suits have been found to be quite safe with a partner who is not wholly imaginative but, of course, a shaded bidable suit should not be bid when

hand itself is a minimum. The weakness of the shaded suit should be safeguarded by some added value above the minimum biddable strength of the hand: in all about $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ honour-tricks.

2. If the Opening suit bid of one is made on a five-card suit, it can be headed by only $\frac{1}{2}$ honour-trick, as K 8 7 6 2 or Q J 5 4 3. Occasionally a five-card suit as weak as Q 10 4 3 2, J 10 4 3 2 or even less may be bid, especially to avoid opening the bidding with one notrump.

3. If a five-card suit is bid, it can be headed by any card, as S 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3.

The requirement of $\frac{1}{2}$ honour-tricks is flexible in the sense that it is slightly shaded upward or even downward from a "plus"

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WOOLLEY AND MEAD RECORD CENTURIES

SURREY SURPRISE YORKSHIRE.

SUSSEX CHECKED

It was the veterans' day at Folkestone where Hampshire secured a first innings victory over Kent in the week-end County Cricket Championship programme, which concluded yesterday.

Phillip Mead, who scored 139 against the Australians at Southampton, contributed 198 to his county's first innings total of 528, while Frank Woolley, left-hander idol of Kent cricket, scored 122.

Sussex received a check at Colchester, where, despite the fact they scored 676 for the loss of 9 wickets, Essex forced a draw.

At Bradford, Surrey surprised the champions, securing first innings points, in spite of an innings of 181 by Mitchell, who scored almost half of Yorkshire's total of 372.

Santall was the mainstay of Warwick, who were defeated by 10 wickets by Notts, scoring 130 and 81 in the first and second innings, respectively.



Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:

At Folkestone, Hampshire secured first innings points from Kent. Hampshire: 528 (Mead 198, Kennedy 130) and 212 for 6.

Kent: 400 (Woolley 122, Herman 5 for 97).

At Bradford, Surrey secured first innings points from Yorkshire.

Yorkshire: 372 (Mitchell 181, Gover 6 for 102) and 277.

Surrey: 465 (Watt 123) and 45 for 4.

At Birmingham, Notts beat Warwick by 10 wickets.

Notts: 442 for 8 dec. (Harris 102) and 26 for 0.

Warwick: 244 (Santall 130).

223 (Santall 81).

EARLIER RESULTS

At Colchester, Sussex secured first points from Essex.

Sussex: 481 for 0 dec. (John Parks 93, Melville 95), 215 for 3 dec. (John Langridge 94).

Essex: 323 and 204 for 6.

At Peterborough, Lancashire beat Northants by an innings and 68 runs.

Lancashire: 409 (Tyldesley 122).

Northants: 200 (Parkinson 5 for 31).

141 (Sibbles 6 for 47).

At Llanelli, Gloucester beat Glamorgan by 7 wickets.

Glamorgan: 308 and 133.

Gloucester: 205 (E. Davies 6 for 60) and 237 for 3.

At Stourbridge, Derbyshire beat Worcester by an innings and 115 runs.

Derbyshire: 306.

Worcester: 48 (Mitchell 8 for 22).

141 (Townsend 5 for 48, Mitchell 5 for 66). ~

AQUATICS AT D.B.S.

YELLOW HOUSE BEAT BLUE IN KEEN FINISH

WIRTH AND DUDLEY OUTSTANDING.

THRILLING RELAY RACE

The Diocesan Boys' School held their first Annual Inter-house Swimming Sports at Gin-drinkers Bay yesterday afternoon, Yellow House winning by the narrow margin of 3 points over Blue House.

C. Wirth (Blue) led with 13 points, while J. Dudley (Yellow) was second with 10 points in the individual championship.

In the 50 yards Free style Dudley led easily for the first 25 yards and, in spite of a spurt by Hulse, won by 5 yards. Cheung Sin-wah (Brown) swam a brilliant race in the 100 yards Breast Stroke, beating Lam Fook-ming (Blue) by 10 yards. From the start these two took the lead, Cheung being slightly ahead all the way.

Dudley Shines

J. Dudley again shone in the 250 yards Free Style, beating C. Wirth by a margin of 20 yards. Dudley kept with the others for the first 50 yards, then forged ahead to win easily.

The diving proved an easy victory for C. Wirth, whose swallow and plain dives were outstanding.

The most keenly contested race was the Relay, Blue House, after leading for the first 50 yards, losing to Yellow House by 10 yards.

A. Dalziel (Blue) gained a lead of five yards over Ong Cheng-tiong (Yellow), of which 3 yards were regained by Kwik Peng-tiong (Yellow) from W. Rapley (Blue). V. Vrashti (Yellow) left the board 2 yards behind J. Spencer (Blue), but beat him by 3 yards, Dudley then increased the lead to 10 yards over Wirth (Blue).

Results were as follows:

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100 Metres Back Stroke— 1. Lau Ping-pui (St. Paul); 2. Ho Kwo-ching (St. Paul's); 3. Leo Chung-kau (St. Paul's). Time: 1 min. 39 secs.

200 Metres Breast-stroke— 1. Kan Yee-ilim (St. Paul's); 2. Ho King-kao (St. Paul's); 3. Se Wai-ming (St. Paul's). Time: 7 mins. 0.5 secs.

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AUSTRALIAN THROAT SWABS SATISFACTORY

Chipperfield's Not Definitely Negative

KIPPAX GERM-CARRIER

London, To-day. With regard to the illness among the Australian Test team, a statement, which was issued last night, says that the swabs taken of all their throats were negative, with the exception of the case of A.-G. Chipperfield, whose swab was not definitely negative. He has been taken to hospital.

Alan Kippax was ascertained to be the carrier of a diphtheria germ, and is also being kept at Manchester under medical observation. The remainder of the team proceeded to Sheffield last night for the match against Yorkshire. — British Wireless Service.

ST. PAUL'S WIN AT SWIMMING.

Beat St. Stephen's In Annual Event.

St. Paul's College won the second annual aquatic sports against St. Stephens College. Each college has now won the championship once.

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AUSTRALIA FORCE DRAW IN THIRD TEST ANTI-CLIMAX AT MANCHESTER.

BROWN OUT FOR "DUCK"

A. G. Chipperfield and W. J. O'Reilly were mainly responsible for the weakened Australian eleven forcing draw with England when they averted the follow on by 14 runs at Old Trafford yesterday.

Thus after three Tests the two countries are still on level terms with 52 wins each.

With a lead of 186 on the first innings Sutcliffe and Walters batted uninspiringly for 128 runs before Wyatt declared at the tea interval, giving Australia two hours to score 260 for victory.

Brown, hero of the second Test and scorer of 72 in the first innings, left for "duck," but Stanley McCabe and W. H. Ponsford held the fort, the match, which had commenced with such bright prospects for England, fizzling out in a tame draw.

Scores—

ENGLAND—1st Innings.	
Sutcliffe, c Chipperfield, b O'Reilly.	63
C. F. Walters, c Darling, b O'Reilly.	52
R. E. S. Wyatt, b O'Reilly.	0
Hammond, b O'Reilly.	4
Hendren, c and b O'Reilly.	132
Leyland, c subd., b O'Reilly.	158
Ames, c Ponsford, b Grimmett.	72
Hopwood, b O'Reilly.	2
G. O. Allen, b McCabe.	61
Verity not out.	60
Clark not out.	2
Extras.	28
Total for 9 wktas dec.	627
Fall of wicketts: 1 (Walters) for 68; 2 (Wyatt) for 68; 3 (Hammond) for 72; 4 (Sutcliffe) for 149; 5 (Hendren) for 340; 6 (Leyland) 482; 7 (Hopwood) for 492; 8 (Ames) for 510; 9 (Allen) for 405.	
Bowling Analysis.	O. M. R. W.
Wall 36 3 131	
McCabe 32 3 98	
Grimmett 57 20 122	1
O'Reilly 59 9 189	
Chipperfield 7 0 29	
Darling 10 0 32	0
AUSTRALIA—1st Innings.	
W. A. Brown, Walters, b Clark.	72
W. H. Ponsford, c Hendren, b Hammond.	12
S. J. McCabe, c Hammond, b	
Verity not out.	137
W. M. Woodfull, run out.	73
L. S. Darling, b Verity.	37
D. G. Bradman, c Ames, b Hammond.	30
W. A. Oldfield, c Wyatt, b Verity.	13
A. G. Chipperfield, c Walters, b Verity.	26
Grimmett, b Verity.	26
C. V. Grimmett, b Verity.	36
W. J. O'Reilly, not out.	36
T. Wall, run out.	43
Extras.	43
Total for 9 wktas dec.	491
Fall of wicketts: 1 (Ponsford) for 34; 2 (Brown) for 230; 3 (McCabe) for 242; 4 (Darling) 320; 5 (Bradman) for 378; 6 (Woodfull) for 409; 7 (Oldfield) for 411; 8 (Grimmett) for 428; 9 (Chipperfield) for 454; 10 (Wall) for 491.	
Bowling Analysis.	O. M. R. W.
Clark 40 9 100	1
Allen 31 3 113	0
Hammond 28 3 6 111	0
Verity 63 24 78 4	
Hopwood 38 20 46 0	
ENGLAND—2nd Innings.	
C. F. Walters, not out.	50
Sutcliffe, not out.	69
Extras.	4
Total for 0 wktas dec.	123
Bowling Analysis.	O. M. R. W.
Wall 9 0 31	0
McCabe 13 4 35	0
O'Reilly 13 4 25	0
Grimmett 17 5 28	0
AUSTRALIA—2nd Innings.	
W. H. Ponsford, not out.	30
W. H. Brown, c Hammond, b Allen.	30
S. J. McCabe, not out.	33
Extras.	3
Total for 1 wkt.	66
Bowling Analysis.	O. M. R. W.
Allen 6 0 23	1
Clark 4 1 16	0
Hammond 2 1	0
Hopwood 9 5 16	0
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ARCHITECT PREFERS CONVEYOR BELT CONTINUOUSLY RUNNING

FIRST LADY INTERVIEWED ON EXTENSION

Mrs. Beatrice Thompson
Lends Practical Aid

MAKING GENERAL APPEAL

The first lady interviewed by the *China Mail* in regard to the Peak Tram extension was Mrs. Beatrice Thompson, of the Advertising & Publicity Bureau, Limited, and her hearty approval of the project is in all probability indicative of that of the entire feminine community of the Colony.

In her usual gracious manner, Mrs. Thompson cordially responded to the request for an expression of opinion. Although not at present residing on The Peak—Mrs. Thompson formerly had her home at No. 32 Lugard Road, and later lived in the Peak Hotel—she fully realises from personal experience the great inconvenience of the present position of the Lower Station, saying how she wished the extension might have been made years ago.

Mrs. Thompson indicated her willingness to co-operate in this effort for civic improvement in a very practical way by consenting to display a notice, together with the petition leaflets for signatures, provided the authorities of the Star Ferry Company are agreeable, on one of the hoardings of the A.P.B. on the Kowloon wharf and on the Hong Kong wharf of the Star Ferry.

MR. E. J. AINSLIE

Mr. E. J. Ainslie, senior member of Lane, Crawford Ltd., Hong Kong's oldest department store, and one of the most jovial and most highly esteemed residents in the Colony, was typically humorous when approached by the *China Mail* representative, saying that it was most unusual for Hong Kong people to become so excited over a project for civic improvement, especially, in the hot weather.

Mr. Ainslie expressed keen interest and approval of the proposition and said that he was much amused by what had been published in other papers of the Colony, as well as by that had appeared in the *Sunday Herald* and the *China Mail*.

MR. J. A. TARRANT

The Secretary of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Mr. J. A. Tarrant, when seen by the *China Mail*, was busily engaged in going over some urgent and important documents in his office, but he kindly paused long enough to express his hearty sympathy with this scheme for civic improvement in Hong Kong, saying that he thought everyone was agreed that it was most desirable if it could in any way be accomplished. He felt that hardly

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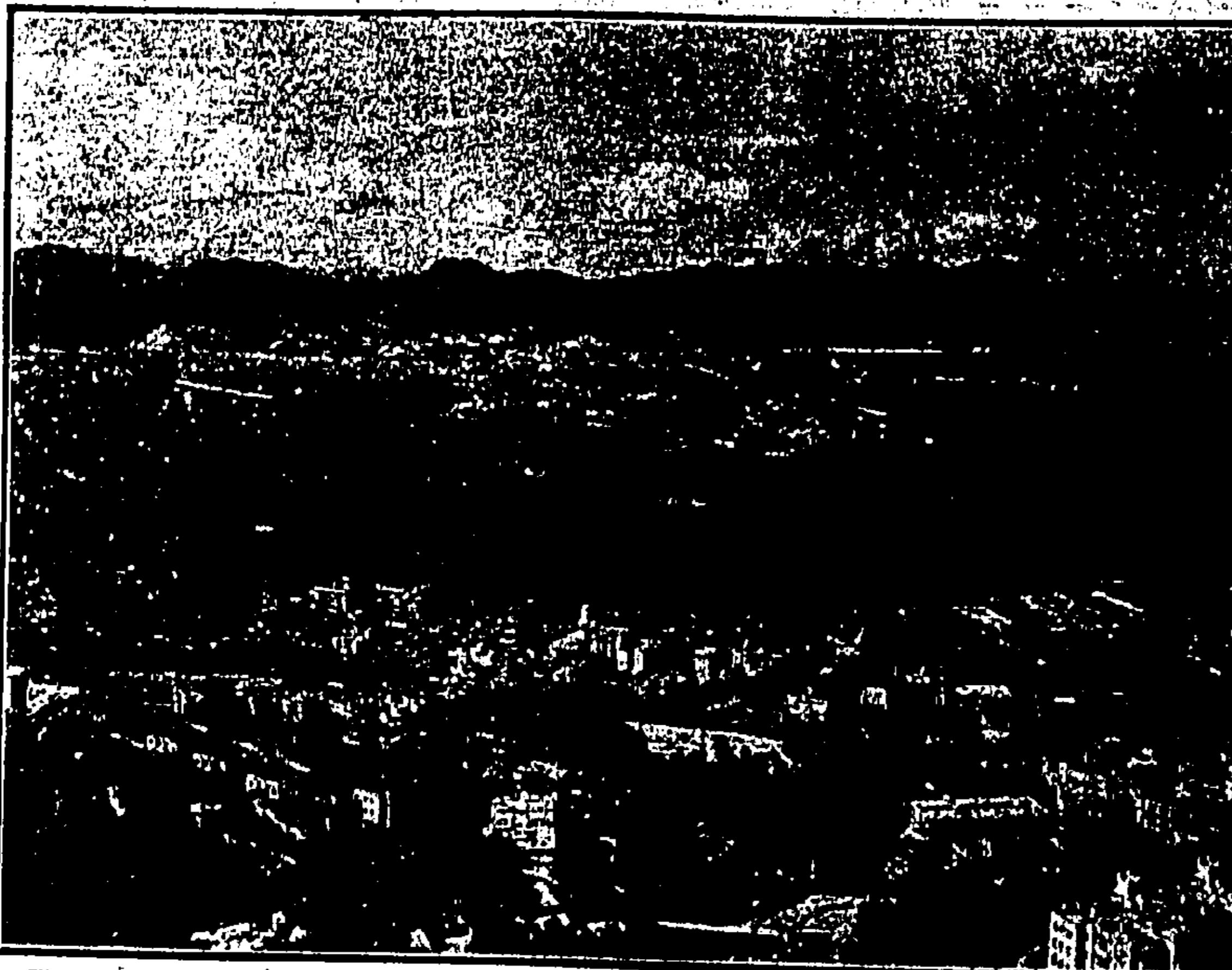
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PROJECT 30 YEARS BEHIND TIMES

VIADUCT SCHEME SIMPLE

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LEADING ENGINEER'S VIEWS

One of the senior engineers of the Colony, who desires that his name should not be mentioned, very kindly granted an interview in which he stated that he did not consider there would be very great difficulty in widening any of the bridges for the purpose of forming a loop line in place of the one as now in use.

He, however, naturally referred the *China Mail* to Messrs. Leigh & Orange, the official architects and engineers of the Peak Tramway Company, for any detailed information in regard to constructional matters.

He stated that from an engineering point of view the viaduct scheme is fairly simple and he did not think the construction would be very expensive.

An escalator was, in his opinion, a possible solution of the problem, but he considered the operation and upkeep costs for such form of mechanism would compare very unfavourably with an elevated track, for which power for haulage of cars is already available.

anything more could be said than had already been well said by others whose interviews have appeared in the *China Mail* and the *Sunday Herald*.

WHEN EXCHANGE WITH MILITARY WAS POSSIBLE

MR. BRAGA GOES BACK 50 YEARS.

OTHER UNDERTAKINGS WITH SAME CLAIMS FOR FACILITIES

When invited to express his views the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, who is an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, unofficial Justice of the Peace, a Director of many prominent firms, and Managing Director of the Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company Ltd., said that he thought he was one of the least competent persons whom the *China Mail* could approach for an expression of opinion in a controversy such as the oldest established newspaper in the Far East is now featuring.

He thought that nothing he could say could contribute any illuminating idea on the subject. "The matter of the line extension is one primarily concerning Peak residents," he said. They were, he explained, a highly placed section of the community capable of exercising great influence, and were really the persons most concerned in the project now being revived. "Whether Peak residents would be found willing to pay for the greater amenities making for their greater convenience of residence at the Peak is entirely another question," he said.

In Mr. Braga's opinion the proposal is one on which none are more capable of forming judgment than the Directors of the Company, and their shareholders provided, of course, sanction could be obtained from the War Office for the scheme to be carried out.

"It would be difficult for the same convincing arguments to be presented to-day in its favour, as was the case, say, 50 years ago. Conditions have so entirely changed that the same force of argument may not strike the powers that be for the facilities which, it is hoped, might be secured for the Peak Tramway Co."

CHANGED CONDITIONS

"For example, no motor roads of any description existed when the question first exercised the minds of the Company's Directors and residents at the Peak. To-day motor roads have been planned and built that are really a credit to the engineers responsible for their design and carrying-out. The first road has now been improved upon, and others built since then have reduced very considerably the time to get up to, and come down from, the Peak."

"The extra 1,000 feet of extension which is sought to be laid is admittedly an expensive one, and whether it should be a paying scheme, so far as shareholders of the Company were concerned, it is not for an outsider to say. A decision can best be reached by those in possession of statistics regarding the number of passengers carried and the cost for operating the line," Mr. Braga said.

On this point Mr. Braga is fully aware that the experience of the

Telephone Hoax?

Tram Official Interviewed

Representative Of Morning Paper.

It would seem that possibly there is more truth than fiction in the recent reports regarding hoax telephone calls in Hong Kong, if the statement published in the leading article of one of our morning contemporaries is correct.

The paper in question says that no reporter representing them spoke with Mr. Clark, of the Peak Tramways Company, over the telephone, or otherwise, last Sunday.

The *China Mail* is authorised by Mr. Clark to say that someone called him over the phone, about three o'clock on Sunday afternoon, and said they were enquiring on behalf of the newspaper in question, and asked: "What about this full page in the *Sunday Herald*? Is that official?" To which Mr. Clark replied, "Well, it has been prepared in consultation with our Company; we know all about it and approve of it." He was then asked, "What about the report that you are planning to build a new building on the site of the present Lower Station?" To which the reply was, "That is only a tentative scheme, which has not yet been approved by the Board; it will now be held in abeyance until the result of the present effort is known."

If the newspaper did NOT inquire of the Company, before publishing the article, surely they should have done so. If the above conversation is accurate, the deduction is obvious.

gentlemen on the Board of Directors and of the form of General Managers invests them with sufficient competence to make a correct decision.

PREVIOUS EFFORT RECALLED

There was a time when the solution of the problem might have been of greater advantage to the Company and also to Peak residents than the present. Mr. Braga referred to the occasion shortly before the departure of Sir Murdoch Fletcher (then Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G.), who was indefatigable in his energies to secure an exchange of Military lands in the Colony.

The exchange was at that time within measurable distance of accomplishment and, as most old residents will remember, it involved the transference of the larger portion of Military lands from the

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NEW ANGLE TO PEAK TRAM EXTENSION

ESCALATOR SCHEME NOT IMPRATICABLE

PICCADILLY TUBE HAS BIGGER LIFT THAN GARDEN ROAD

MR. J. E. POTTER, of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, who drew the plans of the viaduct scheme in the *Sunday Herald*, speaking as an architect, told the *China Mail* yesterday that he found it very difficult to offer an opinion on the suggested escalator scheme forwarded by Mr. Felix A. Joseph, well-known local landowner, in yesterday's editions. He, however, drew attention to the massive escalators now in use in the Piccadilly Tube Station, London, and said that the lift up to the Peak Tram lower terminus would probably be far less than that in the London Tube.

Mr. D. E. Clark, of the Peak Tramway, was also inclined not to draw conclusions before giving the scheme consideration from every angle. He considered that, as a technical matter, it was out of his province either to commend or condemn it.

Considerable controversy has been roused by Mr. Felix A. Joseph's suggestion in yesterday's editions that an escalator, or simple conveyor should be used from Queen's Road Central to the present Lower Peak Tram Station, in Garden Road.

He showed a copy of the "Handbook of Stocks and Shares of the Principal Public Companies in Hong Kong," in which are listed 50,000 shares of Peak Tramway stock, one half of which was paid up when issued, with the understanding that the remaining 50 per share was to be paid upon the completion of the tramway down to Queen's Road.

He went further to suggest that perhaps more preferable to an escalator would be an ordinary conveyor belt, running continuously. This type of conveyor would be cheaper to install and run, and would present no difficulties on such an easy grade.

"It would, perhaps, be rather laughable to stand on a moving pathway being conveyed to the tram, but it would be easier than walking," he concluded.

The trouble of getting from one means of conveyance to another is, of course, a problem, although not a serious one.

CORRESPONDENCE

FINANCIAL VIEWPOINT

[To the Editor, "China Mail"]
Sir,—Postulate that the Military lands obstacle and any engineering difficulties can be successfully surmounted, the problem seems to resolve itself into one of finance and hence appears to be the concern of the Peak Tramways Company only.

What is the maximum capital expenditure that the job will sustain? That is to say, will the estimated additional revenue per annum, due to the extension, be sufficient to meet (a) the higher operating costs and (b) a reasonable return—let us say 7 or 8 per cent. per annum—on the additional outlay involved? If the answer is "Yes" then one would appear to be justified in regarding the extension of the Peak Tramway to Queen's Road as a sound commercial proposition.

L. C. F. Bellamy.

ESCALATOR SCHEME

[To the Editor, "China Mail"]
Sir,—A campaign such as the agitation for the badly needed central locality for the Lower Peak Tramway station, which is attracting wide interest in your valuable columns, must necessarily call forward a great many suggestions, many worthless but some worthy of consideration. In the latter category I would class the scheme mooted by Mr. Felix A. Joseph for an escalator. Apart from being the most practicable of the schemes so far put forward (you will doubtless have many more) the escalator project would certainly be the most economical and the most likely one to be accepted by the Governmental and Military authorities.

It has the overwhelming advantage of being adaptable to a narrow strip of land and would not entail the removal of the present station. However, a ticket office at the foot of the stairway would be essential in order that the advantages of the innovation would not be abused by joy-riders.

As one directly affected, inasmuch as I am a regular patron of the tramway, I shall watch the campaign with great interest, for in these days of sound planning, it is time that Hong Kong came into line to cater for the busy businessman.

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MR. RAYMOND RAISES MOST INTERESTING POINT

When seen by the *China Mail* at his office in Exchange Building, the popular and genial financier, Mr. E. M. Raymond, smilingly said that he was keenly interested in the proposal to extend the Peak Tramway and that he, like many others in the Colony, felt that the Company might have made more vigorous efforts to provide this extension, when they bought over the rights of the rival company, which had secured a grant for a Peak tram with a terminus at Queen's Road, near Ice House Street.

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Mr. Raymond said he supposed this would provide the first \$250,000.00 of the sum required to make the extension.

There was some doubt in Mr. Raymond's mind as to whether, or not, the increase in traffic would be sufficient to repay the Tramway Company, although he agreed that many thousands of Chinese, as well as foreign residents and tourists, would probably use the Peak tram if it was more accessible.

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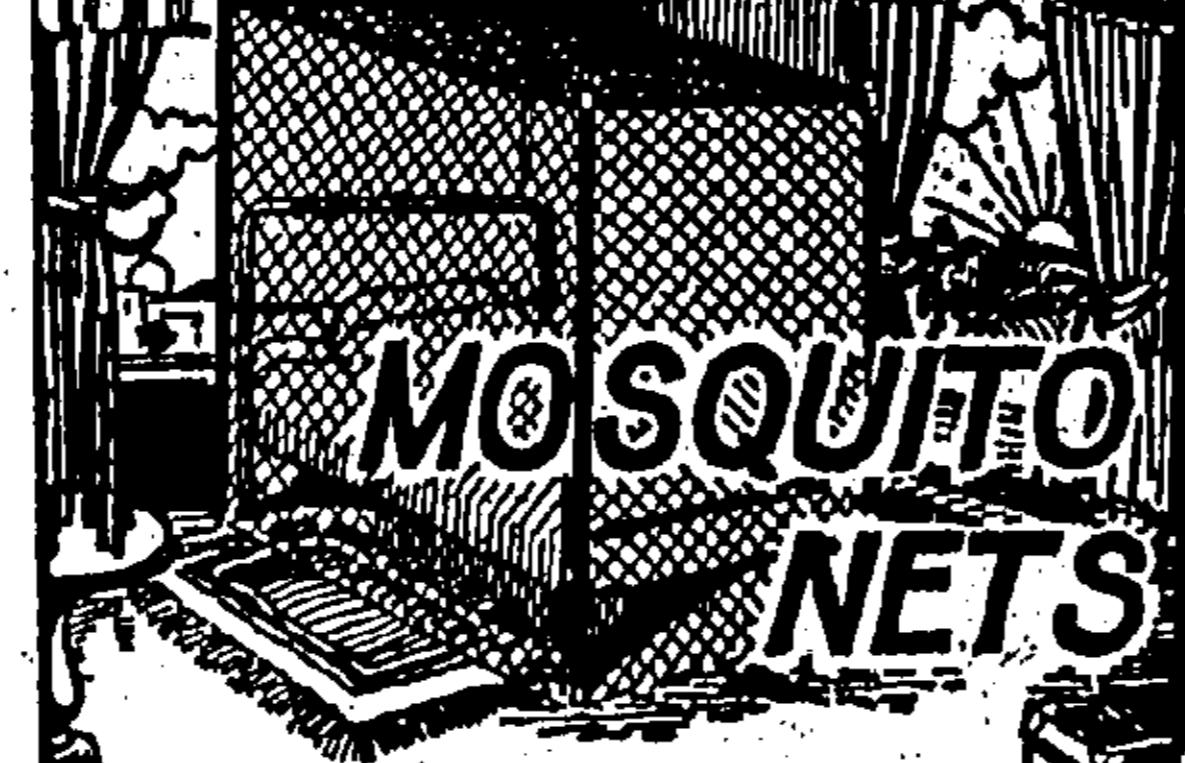
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War Debts.

Though one influential United States newspaper, which speaks as the principal member of a chain of publications, now regards the war debts as no more than "trouble makers," President Roosevelt, with the elections to Congress taking place this year, could not, even if he wished it, regard the war debt problem as dead. It would not be politics, because there is too vast a mass of United States opinion uninformed though we may regard it—which considers that the incurring of the debt was a normal monetary transaction, contracted for the benefit of the debtors only, and that the debtors are bound morally as well as legally to pay. Though, in the enthusiasm of entering the war, the principle of supplying munitions and recording the fact by a book entry to enable the Allies to press the war more vigorously while the United States was preparing to put her force into the field, appealed to the farseeing men in Congress, and was so expressed by them, the burden of the internal debt, after the glamour of victory had worn away, forestalled any hope of the people of the United States adding thereto by regarding the cost of munitions supplied to the Allies as part of the cost of the war. Politicians are seldom courageous enough to advise the people to assume burdens which the people consider should be placed elsewhere, yet any payment on a large scale of war debt services, unproductive as they are, would set back the recovery which the world is now experiencing.

The attitude of Britain all through has been that the moneys which are due represent munitions procured to wage war against a common foe, and that they should be regarded as a pooling of resources on the part of the Allies and the associated Powers for the attainment of a common end. Though the money with which munitions in the United States were obtained for the Allies by the United States Government was from the citizens of the United States, it was part of the contribution of the United States to the war, just as the money which paid for munitions obtained in Britain by the British Government for her Allies was raised from British citizens, and was part of the contribution of Great Britain to the war. That war debts should be so regarded was practically the proposal made by Great Britain when the United States pressed for payment after the conclusion

of the war. As the United States would not accept the British point of view, then Britain declared that she would not ask more from her Allies than she had to pay on account of any external debt she might have incurred by the war.

To that declaration she has consistently adhered. The Lausanne Agreement of 1932 reduced future payments of German reparations from an average of 400,000,000 dollars per annum to a maximum figure of 40,000,000 dollars per annum, and at the same time the creditors of Germany resolved to prolong the suspension of war debt payments indefinitely, pending the coming into force of the agreement. The United States was not represented at the conference, and though it was considered in Europe that the United States had encouraged the holding of the conference, she would not agree to cancellation of war debts or large reduction which the agreement, if it were ratified, made necessary.

Europe regards the war debt problem as dead. It appears as though Great Britain, though she so expressed by them, the burden of the internal debt, after the glamour of victory had worn away, forestalled any hope of the people of the United States adding thereto by regarding the cost of munitions supplied to the Allies as part of the cost of the war. Politicians are seldom courageous enough to advise the people to assume burdens which the people consider should be placed elsewhere, yet any payment on a large scale of war debt services, unproductive as they are, would set back the recovery which the world is now experiencing.

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OXFORD FOR THE OXONIANS?

The Committee of the Oxford University Conservative Association will meet shortly to consider the selection of Parliamentary candidates to replace Sir Charles Oman and Lord Hugh Cecil, who are retiring at the end of this Parliament.

Some members of the Committee think that it would be inadvisable to nominate two Conservatives. This rumour having got about Oxford, Sir Arthur Salter is offering himself as an independent candidate.

A Conservative Minister who holds a shaky seat in the North of England is also putting forward his name. It has been suggested, too, that Oxford might provide a sanctuary for the Prime Minister.

The Committee may have a word of its own to say. Within the last year it has been transformed by an influx of youth, including younger men connected with industry. It will be surprising if this new blood does not insist that the University should find its candidates among active members of its own body.

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WHERE IS A PREMIER-SAFE?

The Prime Minister's battle-ground at the next general election is a matter of constant speculation among politicians. In Seaford, if he fights there, his opponent will be Mr. E. Shinwell, the former Minister of Mines, who would like nothing better than to cross swords with his ex-leader.

But Mr. MacDonald's friends are anxious for him. The possibilities of his adoption for the City of London have been canvassed, and it has frequently been suggested that the Scottish Universities might, as someone said, "oblige Mr. MacDonald and honour themselves" by electing him as one of their three representatives — at present two Conservatives and a Liberal.

The University elections are, of course conducted on the principle of proportional representation.

Your Daily Smile!

An apologist claims to have a pet bee which goes everywhere with him. That's nothing—I saw a man the other day taking a whole swarm for a run.

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THIN ON TOP

"Which would you like sir, hair cut or polish?" asked the barber of the bald-headed customer.

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Wellerman

"That's straight to the point," said the batsman when he cut the ball into the fielder's hands.

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Obviously

"Hamlet has many fat parts," says an actor. He is evidently another believer in the Bacon theory.

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England Almost Certain To Retain the Ashes

Touch (Lar) wood.

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Great News

A zoologist in India has succeeded in breeding a tuskless elephant. This is great news for those people who object to elephants having tusks.

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Engaged to 13 Men At Same Time

Doubt if 13 hearts will be a winning suit this time.

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In Their Element

Discontented chefs in an American hotel recently smashed all the furniture they could lay hands on. They must have enjoyed making a hash of the joint.

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Ship Of State Nowadays

Dictatorship.

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Facts You Did Not Know

The only producer of carbon black among nations, the United States, makes in domestic and foreign markets exceed \$10,000,000 a year.

Wire forms have been invented to be clamped to the outside of damp shoes so that they will dry sooner than if wooden trees are inserted.

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THE BRIGHT YELLOW WOLF

Argentina annually uses about 150,000,000 lbs. hags, most of which are used locally, imported burlap and are used for exporting grain.

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Moscow.

The fur of a wolf killed near Vladivostok was a bright yellow.

Instead of the usual dull brown,

The wolf belonged to a practically unknown species.—Reuter.

LEVIATHAN'S DAYS ARE NUMBERED**WHALE PROTECTION IS NEEDED****APPALING SLAUGHTER**

(By J. Wentworth Day.)

A DEAD whale or a stowing feet of Mount Erebus to the boat—and, with the skerries of Scandinavia, is destined now, in the fullness of civilisation, to be boiled down into a tub of fat.

The End Of The Race

Here are figures which spell the end of a mighty and inoffensive race. In 1909 the South Georgia whaling station produced just over a quarter of a million pounds worth of whale product. That figure rose to five and three-quarter millions in 1925. Three of the leading Norwegian whaling companies paid no less than 57½ per cent. in 1928. In 1919-20, the world's whaling stations killed 11,369 whales. By 1930-31 that total had risen to 30,000 whales per annum.

In the Antarctic alone there were 43,000 factories of the type I have described, six land stations, 232 whale chasers, and ten transport vessels, manned in all by 11,000 Norwegians. Neither age, sex, pregnant mothers, nor sucking calves are spared in this ruthless slaughter. Yet the whole only breeds about once in two years. The female is pregnant for 360 days. The baby blue whale, when born, is between 25 and 27 feet long, and weighs about fifteen tons. Twins amount to only 0.7 per cent. of the average birth-rate.

It will be seen, therefore, that under no possible circumstances can a natural increase of whales be expected to balance this appalling and devastating rate of slaughter.

But there is one whale whom even the whale killers fight shy of—the ferocious killer whale. Almost worthless commercially, fearless as a lion, and as agile as a modern speed boat—indeed, far more so—he enjoys almost complete immunity from attack. He can dive at the rate of a mile in five or six minutes.

Cannibal Whales

Unlike the rest of the whales, the killer has teeth and is carnivorous. He is the only whale who can eat a man. He is also a cannibal. In the Antarctic the killers hunt in packs of eight to twelve. Ploughing through the water like steamboats, they surge up to the edge of the ice-fields, sometimes leaping as much as six feet out of the water to see if any seals are on the ice. If any are in sight the killers dive under the ice-field, smash it up, and pounce on the wretched seals like wolves.

Worst of all, they attack their own kind. For the killer is a true epicure. He only eats the tongue. Two or three of them attack the victim's jaws until they have torn them apart. Then they bite out the wretched animal's tongue, which weighs four tons, and leave it to a miserable and lingering death. Before now the killer has been credited with attacking small boats, smashing them up, and devouring the fishermen.

So, in the irony of fate, it seems likely that the only whale left to the world may soon be the most worthless, the most ferocious, and the only one of its species deliberately dangerous to man.

EUROPEAN ON ARMS CHARGE**Warned And Advised To Secure License**

Mr. A. C. Kella, Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheung, was charged Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning for being in possession last Friday of a pistol, and 47 rounds of ammunition on board the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheung, without a license.

Inspector Stinson said that he had already warned the accused and had advised him to secure a license as soon as possible.

Defendant said that he was a newcomer to the Colony and that he was not aware of the regulations.

The case was adjourned until next week.

Project 30 Years Behind Times**STUDENT'S JOYRIDE ENDING.****Out On \$1,000 Bail.**

Henry Wong, an 18-year-old student, was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, and charged with driving car No. 293, belonging to Mr. T. M. Fung, without a driver's license on Island Road, near Deep Water Bay last Monday, and charged with driving the car without the owner's permission.

Yakoo Khan, an Indian driver, was also charged with driving the same car without the owner's permission.

Traffic-Inspector Neill stated that Wong told the Indian driver to drive him for three hours for the sum of \$10, and that while Wong was driving the car from No. 7 Police Station to Shaukiwan, the car overturned causing damage to the extent of \$173.

Wong said that a man named "Yip" asked him to buy the car, and that he was trying it out.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow noon.

Bail of \$1,000 was granted Wong, who was not represented by a solicitor this morning, while Khan was released on \$50 bail.

VICTORIA LEAGUE IN LONDON.**Assistance For British Subjects.****LOCAL COMMITTEE FORMED**

The Victoria League in London, among its other activities, renders assistance to British subjects from any part of the world who go to England, more especially for purposes of education.

The League is prepared to render assistance in the matter of finding quarters, advising on educational matters, as far as possible helping in regard to admission to the universities, giving facilities for visiting places of interest, and generally in bringing students into contact with English social life.

The League has kindly consented to render such assistance to British subjects going to England from Hong Kong, a local committee having been formed, consisting of—

Hon. Colonial Secretary, Sir Thomas Southorn, K.B.E., C.M.G., (Chairman).

The Vice Chancellor, University of Hong Kong, Sir William Hornell, (Vice-Chairman).

Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. N. L. Smith.

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Miss Alice Kwok.

Inspector of English Schools, Mr. A. R. Sutherland, Joint Honorary Secretary, (Hong Kong).

Mr. Tso Tsun On, Joint Honorary Secretary.

Any persons wishing to avail themselves of the assistance of the Honorary Secretaries, with a view to obtaining a letter to the Secretary of the League in London.

FINE RESCINDED.**Japanese Girl's Papers Found In Order.**

Rin Yoshida, the 18-year-old Japanese girl who was fined \$250, in default three months' imprisonment for entering the Colony without a passport, and fined \$25, in default 14 days' imprisonment for failing to register as an alien, on Monday by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy, was released this morning and charges against her were withdrawn before Mr. Hamilton at this morning's court session.

Detective-Sergeant Mottram said this morning, that when accused was arrested she told the Police that she had no passport and had not registered with the local authorities. He said that her papers are now found to be in order.

rendered particularly difficult in Hong Kong's tropical weather. I am pleased to note that your paper raised the question soon after the Peak Tram was started, and that the matter is again being brought up.

Newcomer

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MR. HORACE LO'S LAST CASE?**Before Joining Staff Of Local Bank.****BISHI SOCIETY LOAN**

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Mr. Braga is doubtful as to any substantial additional traffic that may accrue from visitors to the Colony if the extension line were to be carried out. For, in his opinion, the small physical effort entailed, and the comparatively negligible taxi charge to take a visitor, say, from the ferry pier, or from the Hong Kong Hotel to the present terminus would not be a deterrent to people visiting the Colony, and for whom the sight from the heights of the Peak is an unique experience.

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A submission that money loan notes issued in connection with an Indian bishi society, which has now been suspended as illegal, could not be accepted and that his Lordship had made such a decision in a previous case, was put forward by Mr. P. J. Jacks, the Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Bunny Brooks was positive. "Staying was the word she used."

Dr. Greerson hesitated, seemed to decide not to argue. He was a stout man with a brown beard. He turned toward Bunny's sister.

"What did you think of her, Natalie?"

Only her grey eyes moved, meeting his. "I did not see her."

Young Kenneth Durham, the Doctor's nephew, laughed in his nose. He was sprawled out for six feet on the grass. The Doctor owned a farm fifteen miles away.

They were the four of them, on the newly-cut lawn of Bunny's discovery, an old farm house with a stone chimney, small window panes and clapboards black with weather.

It had been unoccupied for years, standing blind and empty on its round hill. Now that all its windows looked again they saw a scene that had greatly changed. The horizon was green woods.

The only meadow left—it sloped down to the glistening pond—was covered with sunae and young birch trees, its high stone walls lost under a tangle of grape vines, elderberry and poison ivy. And there was not in all the landscape one house visible, though thirty years before all this abandoned land was farmed.

Bunny was a small, rather dumpy.

UNMUZZLED DOGS ON SHEK-O BEACH.

Two Europeans Charged

Mr. J. Walker was summoned before Mr. Q. A. MacFadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning, for allowing two unmuzzled spaniel dogs to be at large at Shek-O Beach. The case was adjourned for one week owing to the absence of Mr. Walker, who is at present indisposed.

Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, Manager of the Manufacturer's Life Insurance Company of No. 9 Shek-O Road, was also summoned for allowing his two dogs to wander from Shek-O Road to Bay Wave Bay without muzzles. The case was adjourned for one week.

Two Chinese Face Charges.

Summoned for being in possession of a revolver and a rifle without a valid license on June 3, Lam Po-heung, of No. 184 Chen Sha Wan Road, first floor, was fined \$25 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

An order for the confiscation of an unlicensed revolver, belonging to Lo Shun-wan, of No. 6 Bonham Road, was made by Mr. Hamilton. Accused was not in court this morning, and the case was adjourned *sine die*.

Silver Prices Decline.

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FRISCO STRIKE

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STRIKE VOTES BEFORE WEEK-END

San Francisco. Later.

The unionists have testified that the shippers blacklisted and operated company unions.

A message from Portland, Oregon states that the strategy committee has asked the locals to take strike votes before the weekend.

United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

To-day's Short Story.

The House On Big Faraway

By Norman Matson.

SURELY the old woman told per city man with grey hair parted neatly in the middle, a neat round face. On either side of his nose was a red mark from the grip of the glasses that usually rode there, slanted forward, gleaming. He swung the glasses now at the end of their ribbon nervously, his forehead pucker'd as with some irritating thought.

"Doctor, where is this Partelo farm?"

"Half a mile that way—it's on the Big Faraway Road, too."

"Who are they—the Partelos?"

"Who lives there?"

Young Kenneth rolled half over and looked at the reddening afternoon sky, laughed with his big mouth. He had known that was coming.

TO-DAY'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be

"Yes, It Sure Is Terrible,"

by Ellis Parker Butler.

"The house is empty?"

"There isn't any house. There's nothing there but a heap of chimney stones."



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The House On Big Faraway

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Natalie looked to Dr. Greerson, wanting to know what he thought. She said: "So I called out: 'Are you talking to yourself, Bunny?' He didn't answer. I found him staring at the empty road. I ran out the back way, ran around the other side of the corn crib, my eyes all ready to see his old woman; but the air was empty. She had evaporated."

"There's a footpath into the woods there," Dr. Greerson said. He repeated this as if he thought it important:

"You ran after her!" Bunny exclaimed. "That was a damned funny thing to do."

Kenneth sat up. His eyes were bright with mischief. He picked a blade of grass, said thoughtfully: "Scarlet stockings!"

Bunny turned as if he had been slapped. "Yes, I saw them. I saw her and I talked with her."

"Man, man, we believe you," Dr. Greerson said.

"But you don't. Kenneth doesn't. Natalie doesn't. Hell, I've got feelings. Doctor, you tell me, you're supposed to know something about the mind, you tell me why I should imagine that old woman."

"You didn't imagine her. You saw her, actually in the flesh. We all know that. But you were going to show me the old mill dam, where you plan the swimming pool. Come on, the afternoon's already gone."

"Sorry," Bunny, got up, looked at Kenneth.

Kenneth shook his head. "I've seen your dam."

Bunny and the Doctor started down through the timothy grass toward the pond.

They were soon out of sight. A Bob White called, sudden as a pistol shot and that seemed to mark the end of the day, though it was still broad light. A chill breath ran across the yard.

"Who was she?" Natalie reached for Kenneth and his hand met hers, held it. They were to be married, or at least so they had planned for two years. Her expression made him laugh.

"Who was she? Nobody, darling." He tapped his forehead. "Is it funny?"

Bunny often followed by funny old women? Are you?"

"No. Or," she smiled, parting her red lips slowly, "or generally I'm not. I do feel strange upstairs. In the bedroom—my room now—whenever was there before me and who is gone now, is still there, in a way. For years this house waited. Now we come. Still the house waits. I don't know what for. I wish I did." He noticed goose-flesh on her arm. An actual shudder had run through her even while she smiled.

Saying how soon she would get over such notions, he put an arm around her waist, and she relaxed, pleased. All the green wood was still. It was evening.

"People walk about upstairs, in these old houses, creak—creak, back and forth." He smiled down on her, feeling superior. "Know why? Because the wide floor-boards expand and contract with temperature changes. That's all. Bertha Bliven's no more than a thermal crack. Haw. Haw."

"Who's Bertha Bliven?"

"She opens doors. She's in the bedroom upstairs."

"My room!"

"Yes, and if I tell you about

her you'll begin to imagine that you see her with her legs all limp, so I won't tell you."

"Please."

He was eager to tell, really; and he quickly made her see Bertha Bliven, a thin woman of thirty-something of extraordinary vitality and a bitterness toward Farmer Bleven. Neither one of their two babies had lived long, and she grieved for them. Perhaps he was weary of her grief. Once he thrashed her with a bridle. Bertha's sister Matilda, who was thirteen or fourteen, would walk down the road and visit. She came one Sunday on her way to church. Bertha wouldn't go. "I'll stay here alone," she said.

Matilda had gone on for a mile. There she stopped. For thinking of her sister's strange expression she could not go on nor turn back. In the end she turned back, retraced her steps, passed the smithy over the little bridge, the long bridge where the Bonacutti rushes over big stones, under the chestnuts by the white schoolhouse. When she came to the lower barn she stopped. Here one had the first glimpse of her sister's house. It had changed. Shutters upstairs and down were tightly closed, all of them.

She crept in the back door, calling "Bertha" in the darkness. No one answered. She dared at last to call at the stair door. She went up, one step at time, and knocked.

In the attic darkness she remembered the still clear noon-day that surrounded the house. She heard her heart.

Kenneth shook his head. "I've seen your dam."

Bunny and the Doctor started down through the timothy grass toward the pond.

When Bliven returned from church Matilda was lying on the floor, hands to her ears. To prove to her that there was nothing to be afraid of, that Bertha had merely gone back to their mother's as she had often threatened he forced Matilda to go back upstairs with him.

Of course, Bertha was there in the bed-room. The wire she had used had cut into her neck; blood lay long and thick down her Sunday white, and her stockingless heels and struck great holes in the plaster. In the candle-light her face seemed quite black.

"I suppose, it was," Kenneth added. "One has to fill it here and there."

Natalie played with her thin white hands, looking at them. She nodded slowly.

"Good story?"

"Yes, a good-dreadful story. What a dreadful thing to do to that girl. What happened to her?"

"There history is silent."

As soon as the others returned Kenneth and Doctor Greerson prepared to leave. The Doctor asked Natalie, holding her hands. "What has he been telling you?"

"Stories." She stood very straight like a little girl. Good night, Doctor. Good night, Kenneth."

"And you, Bunny, get a lot of sunlight into that house of yours. And fires going! I'm afraid it's still damp."

Night had fallen. They inched along in second gear to the old Providence turnpike, a mile away, fearful lest tie-rod or differential catch against a stone. On asphalt at last and rolling smoothly, Kenneth said: "He ought to be psychoanalysed."

Dr. Greerson said: "Bosh."

"Well, he sees things, doesn't he? He almost had Natalie believing in that old woman. I told her there never was such a person, that she was a figment of Bunny's disordered imagination."

"You did!"

"I certainly did!"

The Doctor found he had to think about that. He slowed down. He stopped and pulled the brake back.

"What's the matter?"

"What else did you tell her?"

The young man's voice rose. "What else! My dear Uncle, she is my—". He broke off, with a gasp. The headlights made a clear-edged cavern in the black dark. Some one had stepped into that radiance.

An old woman. A stooping old woman with a bonnet on, who grinned and showed where one tooth was gone.

In a harsh whisper, peering blindly, she asked: "Who's that behind those glory-lights?"

"Dr. Greerson."

"Good evening to you, Doctor. She had gone back into the darkness, was walking away.

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GOOD AUGURY SHIPPING

Far East Will Benefit By P. & O. Action

NEW SHIPS NEEDED TO COUNTER RIVALS

London, July 3.

The announcement to-day, that the Peninsular & Oriental S. N. Co. is selling £1,500,000 worth of its holdings of pound sterling shares in the coal-exporting firm of Messrs. William Cory & Son, has created wide interest in financial and shipping circles.

Messrs. Baring Bros. & Co., Ltd., the well-known bankers, are the purchasers, the price paid to the P. & O. being over £5,000,000.

It is understood that the shares will be offered to the public to return four per cent. per annum.

On the original £1 basis, the shares paid 15½ per cent. for the past three years.

The P. & O. retains 76,000 shares, thus maintaining its long association with Messrs. Cory & Son, but the fact that it is ready to sell so valuable an asset is generally held to be a good augury for shipping prospects to the Far East.

Although the directors of the P. & O. have not yet disclosed their full schemes, it is no secret that they are planning extensive shipbuilding for the P. & O. Co. and its subsidiaries.

During the War, the P. & O. lost 124,000 tons. These have been mainly replaced, but new ships are needed to meet the increasing competition of Continental shipping to China and Japan.

It is also pointed out that Palestine, in spite of a largely increasing trade with Great Britain, is almost entirely served by foreign ships.

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CORFU	15,000 9th Aug.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANTUA	11,000 28th Aug.	Amoy, Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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COMORIN	15,000 20th Sept.	Amoy, Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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The House On Big Faraway

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The Doctor started the car. After a minute: "That's Matilda," he said. "Matilda Morris, sister to Bertha Bliven who hanged herself. Matilda's the little girl, or was. She's quite all right in the mind save for that one memory. Hello, there's a drop of rain." He started the windshield wiper. "She often walks this road. Walks like a man. She's strong."

"I'd have offered her a lift but she always refuses. They say she used to go running to that house, trying to be on time, you know, over and over again. The house was boarded up, of course, and the first sight of it often would straighten her out. She'd snap back to normal, but not always; she has been seen trying to open the front door, whimpering, calling out to her sister that she was coming."

Kenneth's dry mouth finally said words. "So you knew it was she all the time Bunny was telling us?"

"Of course."

"And you said nothing. Explained nothing to him."

"He's high-strung, though not as high-strung as his sister. I didn't want to feed their imaginations any more than they had already been fed."

Here was the Greerson driveway. They left the car in an open carriage-shed and ran through pelting rain for a side door.

A gusty wind staggered against the window-panes. Greerson sat down before his fire. Kenneth paced the long room. He said:

"Which direction was she going?"

"Up the road, home—I suppose." "Sure?"

Dr. Greerson slowly shook his head. "Come to think of it, maybe she wasn't."

"Maybe she was going back."

"To her sister's. To Bunny's house. For the first time she finds somebody to open the door for her. You know, I think we'd better go back there, too."

"In this downpour? Over that road?"

"We'll say that, we've actually seen the old woman, that we know who she is, that she's . . . Do come, for God's sake."

"They'll be in bed, my boy."

"Yea. But you see, I did another wrong thing. I told Natalie about Bertha Bliven and how her little sister came calling her, too late."

"You're a donkey." Dr. Greerson said.

Kenneth did not deny that. "All right. But I must get there, and quickly."

"Go ahead."

"But you must come, we might need you."

With lamps and candles darkness is always near; rooms are not filled tanks of light as with electricity. Natalie, putting dishes away in the new lean-to kitchen, walked from darkness to darkness. A whip-poor-will began loudly its witness reiteration outside the window, and bending down she looked out, saw in silhouette a large bird on the stone wall, ugly in a nameless fashion, saw how it raised its head and fluttered its wing each time it whistled, heard the slight smacking sound after. She wished it would go away.

In the big room that had been the kitchen, within the outer radiance of the fire in the huge fireplace, Bunny sat at a trestle table, as usual writing down and diagramming further plans for the farm. He did not speak as she came in from the kitchen and sat down opposite him, started to sew on pink silk. The light was on her chin and under her eyes, which were all shadow save when she looked this way and that. Then they flashed... It was too quiet. She wanted Bunny to say something. She did not believe in his old woman. Was he, she wondered, really a little queer despite his precise words, his neat diagrams?

Into the silence, spreading out, filling it like a quick torrent, like the rising spreading sound heard under ether, she heard one word, one straining whisper:

"Bertha!"

Natalie looked at her sewing. Bunny made another mark on his paper.

There were many other sounds, sounds in the walls. She even heard the latch of the front door click, and click again, as if it had been closed after someone entering. Her imagination was run-

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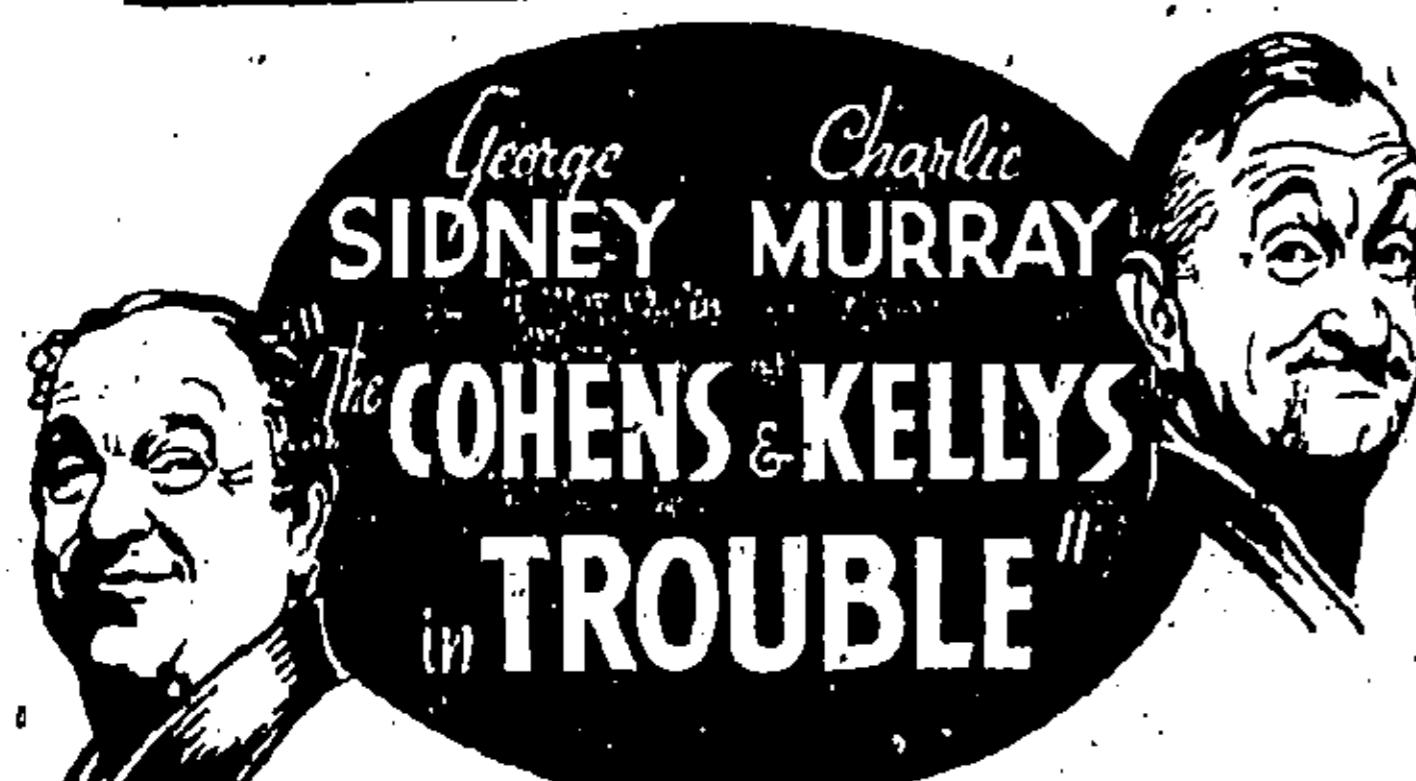
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WHAT RECOVERY COSTS

U.S. Expenditure May Reach Record.

TREASURY'S REVELATION

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Washington, To-day.

The United States Treasury have made public the first official recovery figures. They show that U.S.\$13,115,535,221 has been appropriated, of which U.S.\$6,670,675,405 remains.

The figures include U.S.\$1,000,000 spent by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation during President Hoover's Administration.

If the balance is expended during the present fiscal year, plus the normal U.S.\$3,250,000,000 Government costs, the figures would be a record peace-time peak.

Administration officials, however, believe that such expenditure is unlikely due to improvement of conditions.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

BRIGHTER TONE ON WALL STREET.

Silver Uncertainty A Deterrent.

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New York, To-day.

The New York stock market has improved as the result of a trading increase.

Favourable factors are the increase in the United States Steel Corporation's output, and the brokers' report that there are few offerings at current prices and that the demand is mostly for higher grade common stocks.

Unfavourable factors are the belief that steel will not sharply advance until September, and the continued uncertainty in silver futures.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

SILVER FUTURES TRADING TOUCHES LOW RECORD

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New York, To-day.

Yesterday's silver futures trading amounted to only 275,000 ounces, a new low record.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

HARRISON'S DENIAL

Washington, To-day. The Governor of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, Mr. George Harrison has cabled a reply to Senator Thomas, of Oklahoma, from Basle, denying that he is negotiating the stabilization of the pound and dollar, a war debt settlement, or anything else.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

WHEAT CROP CONDITION

Washington, To-day. The Agriculture Department has estimated that the condition of the wheat crop on July 1 was 52.4 per cent. of normal, as compared with an average of 76.1 per cent.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

LONDON, To-day.

The total number of cotton looms in the world at the end of 1933, shows little change as compared with 1930, the decrease being 28,800. The European total was 67,646 lower, mainly due to a decrease of 104,935 in Great Britain.

There has also been a reduction of 85,322 in the United States, but increases are reported in Russia, Japan, China and India, according to the second international cotton loom census issued by the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners.

The total number of world looms in place is estimated at 8,180,000

DIED AT DINNER TABLE

Tuberculosis Victim Drives Away Patrons.

RESTAURANT'S MISFORTUNE

While dining at the Nam King Cafe, No. 208, Shanghai Street, Man Pan, a 34-year-old Chinese died at his table at 6 p.m. on Sunday.

When the waiter discovered he was dead, all the other diners immediately left the cafe.

The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary where it was found that he had died from tuberculosis.

NULLAH OUTRAGE.

Ng Lai-yuen Charged With Murder.

Ng Lai-yuen, the Chinese who, apparently in a fit of insanity, threw five children into a nullah on Friday, June 22, was formally charged with the murder of Michael Pine, before Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning.

After hearing the charge His Worship remanded the case for a week.

Defendant, who has been in hospital since the outrage, was discharged on Friday last, and has since been in custody.

K. C. R. NEGOTIATIONS

(Continued From Page 1)

The British section, it is learned, will bring up the question of loans advanced to the Chinese section in connection with the hiring of British locomotives and the purchase of new locomotives for the Chinese section as well as other orders.

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SMALLEST U. S. WHEAT CROP IN 40 YEARS

Washington, To-day.

The Agricultural Department has predicted that the 1934 wheat crop in the United States will be 488,662,000 bushels, the smallest since 1894, and compared with 527,413,000 bushels in 1933.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

PRINCE OF WALES AGAIN TOURS

Unemployed Area In

Midlands.

London, To-day.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales flew from London to the Midlands yesterday to make a tour of Nuneaton and Coventry and to inspect the occupational centres for unemployed.—British Wireless Service.

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PRELIMINARIES COMPLETED

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Washington, To-day.

The Chairman of the Stock Exchange Control Commission, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, has announced that the preliminary organisation of the Commission has been completed. The important key appointments will be announced shortly.

It is indicated that Judge John Burns, of Boston, and Mr. Baldwin Bane, chief of the Federal Trade Commission, Securities Division, are the principal possibilities for the Commission's chief counsel.

It is indicated that a policy, regulations, and other rulings will not be promulgated for six weeks, pending the completion of a permanent organisation.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

STEEL BOOM IN AMERICA.

Remarkable Increase In June Output.

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New York, To-day.

The United States Steel Corporation's output in June was 985,337 tons, as compared with 745,000 tons in May, and 693,973 tons in June, 1933.

The six-months' total for 1934 was 8,678,895 tons, as compared with 2,212,420 tons in the corresponding period of 1933.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

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